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In re Application of:

Peter Dronzek Group Art Unit: 1771

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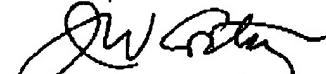
For: CARD INTERMEDIATES

New York, NY 10036  
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Sir:

Attached to this Letter is a Substitute Appeal Brief.  
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Respectfully submitted,

  
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(iv) Status of amendments. There are no unentered amendments.

(v) Summary of claimed subject matter. The application contains ten claims. Claim 1 is directed to a card intermediate made of a number of layers that allow the card to be cut out by a diecut without removal of the card from the intermediate until it is desired to separate the card from the laminate. The purpose of the invention is to provide a highly removable card that is firmly held in place until the user desires to remove the card as described in the specification at page 1 lines 4-8 and page 10, lines 2-12.

The card intermediate has the following elements:

- (i) a business form layer of paper or film having an upper surface and a lower surface;
- (ii) optionally, a first thin film layer, adhesively secured to the upper surface of said business form layer;
- (iii) a second thin film layer having an upper surface and a lower surface, the upper surface being permanently adhesively secured to the lower surface of said business form layer; the lower surface of the second thin film layer having a permanent adhesive and being designated as permanent interface A;
- (iv) a third thin film layer having an upper surface and a lower surface, the upper surface being adhesively secured, directly, or through an underlying thin coated layer to the lower permanent interface A of said second thin film layer (iii) at a separable interface designated as interface B; and
- (v) a removable card, having edges and defined in said first thin film layer (ii), said business form layer (i), and said second film layer (iii) by a diecut extending through said layers (i), (ii), and (iii) but not through